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- 1. AS AMBASSADOR IS AWARE FROM PREVIOUS CORRESPONDENCE AND FROM DISCUSSION AT DEPARTMENT ON SEPTEMBER 25 BETWEEN STATE AND DOD REPRESENTATIVES, THERE IS COMPLETE INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT THAT EMBASSY STOCKHOLM SHOULD BE KEPT FULLY INFORMED OF SIGNIFICANT CONTACTS BETWEEN THE SWEDISH DEFENSE ATTACHE OFFICE IN WASHINGTON AND THE DEPARTMENTS OF STATE AND DEFENSE, WHETHER SUCH CONTACTS DEAL WITH TRANSACTIONS UNDER THE BILATERAL MILITARY DATA EXCHANGE AGREEMENT, THE FOREIGN MILITARY SALES PROGRAM, OR ARE RELATED TO COMMERCIAL DATA DISCLOSURES, LICENSES AND SALES.
- 2. AS A RESULT OF SEPTEMBER 25 MEETING, BROAD CONSENSUS CONFIDENTIAL

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WAS REACHED ON FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WHICH, IT IS HOPED,

WILL MARKEDLY IMPROVE THE COORDINATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION RELATED TO SWEDISH-US MILITARY EXCHANGES AND CONTACTS: 1) DDR&E HAS REQUESTED THE MILITARY SERVICES TO PROVIDE TIMELY INFORMATION TO THE USDAO ON PROPOSED NEW DATA EXCHANGE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN SWEDEN AND THE UNITED STATES AND ON DEVELOPMENTS TAKING PLACE UNDER EXISTING

AGREEMENTS; 2) DSAA HAS REQUESTED THE SERVICES TO INFORM THE USDAO AS SOON AS THE SWEDISH DEFENSE ATTACHE OFFICE IN WASHINGTON REQUESTS A LETTER OF OFFER FOR A FOREIGN MILITARY SALE; AND 3) STATE (EUR/NE) IS TO INFORM EMBASSY STOCKHOLM OF SIGNIFICANT COMMERCIAL DATA DISCLOSURES, LICENSES, AND SALES INVOLVING SWEDISH MILITARY.

3. AS THE AMBASSADOR WILL RECALL, IN LIGHT OF THE ABOVE PROCEDURES AGREED UPON AT THE SEPTEMBER 25 MEETING, THERE IS NOW NO REQUIREMENT TO REQUEST A REVISION OF THE CURRENT BILATERAL MILITARY DATA EXCHANGE AGREEMENT. KISSINGER

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